## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA TAMPA DIVISION

MATTHEW ORSO as Successor Trustee to Kenneth D. Bell in his Capacity as Court-appointed Receiver for Rex Venture Group, LLC,

Plaintiff,

v.	Case No.: 8:21-mc-66-TPB-AAS
KEVIN LEACH,	
Defendant.	,
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## **ORDER**

Matthew Orso moves the court, under Rule 69 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and Florida Statutes § 77.01 et seq., to issue a writ of garnishment against TD Ameritrade, Inc. for a judgment owed by Kevin Leach. (Doc. 23).

Rule 69 provides that a money judgment is enforced by a writ of garnishment. Fed. R. Civ. P. 69(a)(1). "The procedure on execution . . . must accord with the procedure of the state where the court is located, but a federal statute governs to the extent it applies." *Id.* Florida law provides a right to a writ of garnishment to judgment creditors to help satisfy a money judgment. Fla. Stat. § 77.01. To obtain a writ of garnishment, the judgment creditor must

file a motion stating the amount of the judgment. FLA. STAT. § 77.03. The writ must direct the garnishee to answer the writ within twenty days and state the amount named in the judgment creditor's motion. FLA. STAT. § 77.04.

On August 14, 2017, the United States District Court for the Western District of North Carolina, entered judgment against Mr. Kevin Leach, in the amount of \$10,400.15, plus accruing post-judgment interest. (Doc. 1, Ex. 1). On April 28, 2021, Mr. Orso registered the judgment in this court. (Doc. 1). According to Mr. Orso's motion, this amount remains unpaid. (Doc. 23).

Mr. Orso's Motion for Writ of Garnishment (Doc. 23) is **GRANTED**. The Clerk of Court shall issue a writ of garnishment to the named garnishee using the forms attached to Mr. Orso's motion and the address for the garnishee contained in the form (Doc. 23, Ex. 1). Mr. Orso must include with the writs copies of:

- a. Mr. Orso's Motion for Writ of Garnishment (Doc. 23)
- b. this Order, and
- c. Mr. Orso's Registration of Foreign Judgment (Doc. 1).

**ORDERED** in Tampa, Florida on April 19, 2022.

AMANDA ARNOLD SANSONE United States Magistrate Judge

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